

**ASSEMBLY BILL**

**No. 2379**

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**Introduced by Assembly Member Feuer**

February 19, 2010

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An act to amend Section 25244.17.1 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to environmental protection.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2379, as introduced, Feuer. Environmental protection: hazardous waste source reduction.

The Hazardous Waste Source Reduction and Management Review Act of 1989 requires specified generators of hazardous waste to maintain certain plans and reports, and summaries with regard to hazardous waste reduction practices. The act also requires the Department of Toxic Substances Control to establish a technical assistance and outreach program to promote implementation of model source reduction measures in priority industry categories. The act requires the department to select at least 2 priority categories of generators by SIC Code every 2 years.

This bill would instead require the department to select at least 4 priority industry categories of generators by SIC code every 2 years.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.  
State-mandated local program: no.

*The people of the State of California do enact as follows:*

- 1     SECTION 1. Section 25244.17.1 of the Health and Safety Code  
2     is amended to read:

1 25244.17.1. The department shall establish a technical  
2 assistance and outreach program to promote implementation of  
3 model source reduction measures in priority industry categories.

4 (a) Every two years, in the work plan required by Section  
5 25244.22, the department shall, in consultation with the advisory  
6 committee, select at least ~~two~~ *four* priority categories of generators  
7 by SIC Code. At least one selected category of generators shall be  
8 taken from the list of categories previously selected by the  
9 department under Section 25244.18. At least one selected category  
10 of generators shall be a category that consists primarily of small  
11 businesses.

12 (b) For each selected priority industry category, the department  
13 shall implement a cooperative source reduction technical assistance  
14 and outreach program to include the following elements:

15 (1) The department shall use available resources, including  
16 reports prepared pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (a) of  
17 Section 25244.18 and information on source reduction methods  
18 from federal, state, and local governments and industry associations  
19 and industry members, to identify a set of model source reduction  
20 measures for each industry category.

21 (2) The department shall determine, with the assistance of the  
22 advisory committee, the most effective technical assistance and  
23 outreach methods to promote implementation of the model source  
24 reduction measures identified in paragraph (1).

25 (3) The department shall develop a plan and schedule to  
26 implement the technical assistance and outreach measures before  
27 the next biennial work plan. The measures may include, but are  
28 not limited to, all of the following:

29 (A) Holding, presenting at, or cosponsoring workshops,  
30 conferences, technology fairs, and other promotional events.

31 (B) Developing and distributing educational materials, such as  
32 short descriptions of successful source reduction projects.

33 (C) Developing checklists, training manuals, *and* technical  
34 resource manuals and using those resources to train CUPAs, small  
35 business development corporations, business environmental  
36 assistance centers, and other regional and local government  
37 environmental programs.

38 (D) Preparing and distributing resource lists, such as lists of  
39 vendors, consultants, or providers of financial assistance for source  
40 reduction projects.

1 (E) Serving as an information clearinghouse to support telephone  
2 and onsite consultations with businesses and local governments.

3 (4) For industry categories that include primarily large or  
4 technically complex businesses, the source reduction technical  
5 assistance and outreach program shall emphasize activities that  
6 involve direct communication between department staff and  
7 industry members. For these industry categories, the department  
8 shall communicate with representatives of 80 percent of the state's  
9 companies in the category. For categories that consist primarily  
10 of small businesses, the cooperative source reduction program  
11 shall emphasize providing industry-specific training and resources  
12 to CUPAs, small business development corporations, business  
13 environmental assistance centers, and other regional and local  
14 government environmental programs for use in their inspections  
15 and other direct communications with businesses.

16 (c) While conducting activities under this section, the department  
17 shall coordinate its activities with appropriate industry and  
18 professional associations.

19 (d) The department shall coordinate activities under this section  
20 with grants made under ~~Sections~~ *Section 25244.5 and 25244.11.5.*